

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION

**TONYA HOWARD and EBONY
JOHNSON, Each Individually and on
Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated**

PLAINTIFFS

vs.

No. 1:22-cv-2817-MSS

**TATE LEGACY INCORPORATED
and DARLENE TATE**

DEFENDANTS

**JOINT MOTION FOR REFERRAL TO MAGISTRATE
JUDGE FOR TELEPHONIC SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE**

COME NOW Plaintiffs Tonya Howard and Ebony Johnson and Defendants Tate Legacy Inc., and Darlene Tate, by and through their undersigned counsel, and for their Joint Motion for Referral to Magistrate for Settlement Conference, they do hereby state and allege as follows:

1. On September 12, 2023, the Parties informed this Court that they had reached a settlement in principle that would resolve all claims asserted by Plaintiffs. See ECF No. 48.

2. The Parties have exchanged drafts of a settlement agreement and have reached an impasse regarding the settlement terms to be included therein. Accordingly, the Parties believe it would be productive to participate in a settlement conference in order to attempt to resolve their disagreements without the need for additional discovery and litigation costs.

3. The Parties now hereby jointly move the Court to refer this case to a magistrate judge for a telephonic settlement conference to be held at the magistrate judge's earliest convenience.

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully pray that their Joint Motion for Referral to Magistrate for Telephonic Settlement Conference be granted in its entirety, that this case be referred to a magistrate for a settlement conference, and for all other relief the Court may find necessary or proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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